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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Responsive to the Non-final Office Action (OA) mailed May 18, 2005, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. A response to the Office Action was initially due August 18, 2005. Applicants herein submit a petition for a two month extension of time to October 18, 2005, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, with the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.

The following documents are also enclosed herewith:

- Transmittal letter, facsimile cover sheet
- Supplementary Information Disclosure Statement.

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